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REQUEST FOR EARLY
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UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.219

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully request early publication of the above-captioned patent application. In support of this Request, the Publication Fee of \$300.00 required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(d) is attached.

If there are any fees due for entry of this submission that are not otherwise accounted for, Applicants ask that any such fees be charged to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975, with reference to Order No. 009919/265136.

Respectfully submitted,

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3618 Group Art Unit A. Boehler Examiner: GIROUARD et al. Inventor(s): RP-00063-US3 265136 Attv. Dkt. 472,134 Appln. No.: Client Ref e Code A Serial No. ↑ SNOWMOBILE Appln. Title: December 23, 1999 Filed: RECEIVED Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 DEC 0 6 2001 December 3, 2001 GROUP 3600 Sir: REPLY/AMENDMENT/LEXTER This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject & TOADE which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto. FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED 1. Small Entity claim Large/Small Entity Additional Fee Code For B & C Present Extra Claims Highest number A. NOT made See Required previously paid for Fee remaining after B. Withdrawn Lg/Sm Separate Paper (Pat-256) amendment made herewith D. made previously 103/203 x \$18/\$9 = + \$0 *minus 20 0 2. Total Effective Claims x \$84/\$42 = + \$0 ***minus 3 0 3. Independent Claims 4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first +\$0 104/204 + \$280/\$140 = time (leave blank if this is a reissue application) NONE 5. Original due Date: 115/215 \$110/\$55 = (1 mo) 6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due 116/216 \$400/\$200 = date to cover the date this response is filed for which the (2 mos) 117/217 \$920/\$460 = (3 mos) requisite fee is attached 118/218 \$1,440/\$720= (Usable only for ≤ 2mo.OA - - - 4 mos) 128/228 (Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA - - - 5 mos) \$1,960/\$980= 7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract - \$0 Extension Fee Attached + \$0 148/248 + \$110/\$55 + \$0 9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee 126 10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c). add + \$180 + \$0126 + \$180 or if Rule 97(d) Request 146/246 + \$0 + \$740/370 11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) 149/249 x \$740/370 ea + \$0 12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) 1179/1279

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